



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANT(s): Uwe Leiss, et al. EXAMINER: Thuy V. Tran
SERIAL NO.: 10/697,331 GROUP: 2821
FILED: 10/31/2003 CASE NO.: 02P15832
TITLED: Device for Operating Discharge Lamps by means of a Transformer with Four Windings,
and a Corresponding Method

Osram Sylvania, Inc.
800 N. Church St.
Lake Zurich, IL 60047
April 14, 2005

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

1. Applicant hereby petitions pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) for a one (1) month extension of time for response to the outstanding Official Action mailed 12/14/04. The period for response was previously set to elapse 03/14/05 (standard period) and is accordingly hereby extended to 04/14/05, which is still within the six-month statutory period for response (35 U.S.C. § 133) which elapses 06/14/05.

2. The reason for this petition is as follows:

X	A response to the outstanding Official Action is being filed herewith;
	It is expected that a response to the outstanding Official Action will be filed within the extended period for response;
	A Notice of Appeal to the Board of Appeals (37 CFR § 1.191) is being filed herewith;
	It is expected that a Notice of Appeal to the Board of Appeals (37 CFR § 1.191) will be filed within the extended period for response.
"	A Division, Continuation, or Continuation-in-part is being filed, and it is desired to maintain the present application in pending condition pursuant to 35 USC § 120 through at least the filing date of the Division, Continuation, or Continuation-in-part application.

3. The required fee as established by 37 CFR § 1.17(a) pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 41(a) (8) is:

	RATE	FEE
First Month	\$120.00	\$120.00
Second Month	\$450.00	
Third Month	\$1,020.00	
Fourth Month	\$1,590.00	
Fifth Month	\$2,160.00	

The fee of **\$120.00** is to be charged to our Deposit Account No. **15-0685**. Please charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. **15-0685**. An additional copy of this paper is enclosed herewith for deposit account charging purposes.

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I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to:

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On April 14, 2005
(Date of Deposit)

Kenneth D. Labudda
Name of applicant, assignee, or Registered Rep.
Kenneth D. Labudda 04/14/05
Signature Date

Respectfully submitted,

Uwe Leiss, et al.

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